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GOOD NEWES

From the

TRAINE BANDS

AND

AVXILIARS.

Being a true Relation of their meeting with the Lord Generals Forces, and what exceeding joy was expreſt at that inſtant on both ſides.

Likewiſe the number of the Forces which are ſo happily met, and with what cheerfulneſſe they goe forward, couragiouſly chaſing the enemy before them.

Alſo a true Narration of the raiſing the ſiege at *Exeter*: and the proſperous proceedings, ſucceſſefull skirmiſhes, and good eſtate and condition of *Glocester*.

VVith the manner of the Lord Generals marching through the Countries.

Sent from a Souldier there, bearing date Septemb. 2. and writ upon his knee without doores, wanting houſe-room, leſt he (loſing that opportunity) had kept his friends from the truth.

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GOOD NEWS

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TRAINE BANDS AND AUXILIARS.

Being a true Relation of their meeting with the Lord Generals Forces, and what exceeding joy was exprest at that instant on both sides.

Likewise the number of the Forces which are to happily meet, and with what chearfulnesse they goe forward, courageously chasing the enemy before them.

Also a true Narration of the raising the siege at Exeter: and the prosperous proceedings, successefull skirmishes, and good estate and condition of Glocester.

With the manner of the Lord Generals marching through the Countries.

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THE TRVE COPIE Of a LETTER

Sent from his Excellencies Army by an Apprentice to his Master in *London*.

Loving Master,

MY humble service remembred unto you, and to my Mistres, with my love to Master *Nerby*, and to all my fellow servants. Sir, I had writ unto you before now, but onely I had

had no newes, and now having ſo convenient a Meſſenger as this Bearer, I thought good, as it is my duty, to write unto you, and to informe you of what Newes we have in our Armie, which is as followeth.

Yeſterday, being Friday, was the firſt day that we met with my Lord Generall with all his Forces, and our five Regiments: We met upon a place called *Bards Greene*, where was a gallant ſhow both of Horſe and Foot, with extraordinary great rejoycing: And indeed my Lord Generall hath a gallant and ſtately Army of Horſe, which amounteth to the number of ſix thouſand compleat, and more Foot, ſo that upon our Muſter wee were conceived to be betwixt ſixteene or ſeventeene thouſand at the leaſt, beſides a brave traine of good Artillery. It is not in my power or ability to expreſſe the triumphant rejoycing and extraordinary ſhouting that was expreſſed at the time of our meeting. And now my Lord Generall

nerall and his Army are marching on the one ſide, and we on the other ſide of the Countrey, but not ſo farre diſtant one from another, but that we are alwaies within two miles one of another at night.

Upon our march yeſterday there came newes throughout to all our ſeverall Companies in the Armies, that the ſiege is raiſed before *Exeter* for certaine: beſides, *Glocester* is in very good condition, for they have fired the enemies Salleries, and ſcattered their foot in abundance, inſomuch that it is as much as the horſe can doe to keepe up the foot to maintaine the ſiege, leſt they ſhould runne away. Theſe are the very words that the Meſſenger related concerning theſe two places.

At this preſent we are in Oxfordſhire, ſome fifty miles from *London*, but do not know certainly whether we ſhall march for *Oxford* or no; but we hope we ſhall forthwith haſten for *Glocester*.

We have already coasted all Buckinghamshire round, and I thinke so we shall doe all the other Countries as we goe; for though as yet we are but about some fifty miles distant from *London*, we have marched at least threescore and tenne miles, for wee cannot march directly straight forward; but yet nevertheless, thankes be to God, our enemies doe flye before us whersoever we come.

This day it is supposed that my Lord Generall will set upon *Banbury*, for we are not above five miles from it.

We have not layd still but one day since we came forth, so that if farre travell, and hard fare, and no lodging would make us Gentlemen, then we should be Gentlemen presently. But the Lord be praised we take comfort in it. We hope to see *Glocester* by the next Tuesday at night, and are very confident through the ayd and assistance of Almighty God) to raise the Siege with a great deale of courage.

All our neighbours, God be prayſed, are in very good health. And ſo with my humble ſervice remembred unto you. I reſt,

From *Soulden* in Oxfordſhire this 2. of Septemb. 1643.

Your faithfull ſervant,

Anthony VValby.

I pray you pardon my bad writing, for I had never a houſe to write in, but upon my knee. We looke to fight with our Enemy every day.

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All our neighbours, God be praysd,
are in very good health. And so with
my humble service remembred unto you,
I rest,

From Sealdge in
Oxfordshire this
3. of Septemb.
1643.

Your faithfull Servant,

Anthony Wallby.

I pray you pardon my bad writing,
for I had never a lodge to write in,
but upon my knee. We lodge to
fight with our Enemy every day.

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